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Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report

February, 2009

Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....1306
Number of items* contained in these cases.....2177

Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....1556
Number of items analyzed this month.....2402

Laboratories' backlog (Items)..... 14050

Average time per analysis (turnaround time)..... 117 days

Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed.....180

Analysis Backlog

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	974	7%
16-30 days old	1302	9%
31-50 days old	1287	9%
Greater than 50 days	10487	75%
TOTAL	14050	100%

* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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Analysis Profile

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	78	3%
16-30 days	71	3%
31-50 days	547	23%
Greater than 50 days	1706	71%
TOTAL	2402	100%

Totals for Drugs of Interest

Drug Type	Number of Items
Marijuana	767
Cocaine	570
Heroin	319
Others	746
TOTAL	2402

Trafficking Items Analyzed

Drug Type	Number of Items
Heroin	7
Cocaine	24
Oxycodone	9
TOTAL	40

Calendar Year (2009) Totals through the End of the Month

Items Submitted	4782
Items Analyzed	4700

